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SUBJECT: NAPCO CARGO DESTINED CAMEROON REPORTEDLY SEIZED BY GABON

- 1. THIS MESSAGE FOR INFORMATION ONLY ON BASIS FEB 10
 CONVERSATION CHARLES MCLEAN, NAPCO INDUSTRIES REP.
 MCLEAN SAID NAPCO FURNISHED MILITARY CARGO CONSISTING
 TEN TWO-AND-ONE-HALF TON TRUCKS AND SIX CADILLAC GAGE
 WHEELED COMMAND CARS WAS ON BOARD M/S ERICA SCHULTE WHICH
 DIVERTED FROM DOUALA TO PORT GENTIL DUE DOCK STRIKE.
 HOWEVER, WHEN OFF-LOADED PORT GENTIL FOR TRANSHIPMENT
 M/S DABEMA, THE SHIPMENT APPARENTLY SEIZED BY GABONESE
 AND CURRENTLY REPORTED BY SOCOPAO UNDER ARMED GUARD
 PORT GENTIL DOCKS. MCLEAN HAS INFORMED NAPCO AND
 CAMEROON ARMY COMMANDER GENERAL SEMENGUE.
- 2. MCLEAN HAS RECEIVED TELEX FROM GLENN MEIXELL NAPCO INDUSTRIES, HOPKINS MINN (612 935-8211). PERTINENT PARTS AS FOLLOWS:

WE HAVE ADVISED US STATE DEPARTMENT OF SEIZURE.

THEY SENDING TELEX TO US EMBASSY LIBREVILLE GABON UNCLASSIFIED

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WITH COPY TO US EMBASSY YAOUNDE ASKING TO FREE

CARGO AND ADVISING THAT CARGO WAS LICENSED AND DESTINED FOR GOVERNMENT OF CAMEROON. WE HAVE ALSO INFORMED CAMEROUN EMBASSY WASHINGTON...

PLEASE KEEP ME INFORMED OF SITUATION AND WILL DO LIKEWISE.

3. MCLEAN INTENDS REMAIN DOUALA UNTIL ARRIVAL NAPCO REP HENRI FEB. 13TH. HE SAID SOCOPAO INFORMED HIM THAT IF CARGO COULD BE RELEASED WITHIN TWO DAYS, SHIPMENT COULD BE IN DOUALA ON DABEMA WITHIN FIVE DAYS. MITHOEFER

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